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TO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: REPUBLIC OF CHINA GENERAL CENSUS ON TRADEMARKS

REFERENCE: (A) TAIPEI 2346

(B) STATE 109607

1. COMMERCE HAS RECEIVED FROM AN AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL FIRM, COPY OF LETTER, DATED MAY 19, 1975, FROM SAINT ISLAND INTERNATIONAL PATENT AND LAW OFFICE, 2ND FLOOR, 71 SECTION 2 CHANG-AN EAST ROAD, TAIPEI, OFFERING TO ACT AS AGENT FOR AMERICAN FIRM'S TAIWAN AFFILIATE IN COMPLETING AND FILING TRADEMARK CENSUS QUESTIONNAIRE. LETTER FROM SAINT ISLAND (COPY POUCHED) STATES THAT CENSUS QUOTE IS A MOST IMPORTANT EVENT BECAUSE THE PATENT OFFICE WILL SPONTANEOUSLY REVOKE THE REGISTERED TRADEMARK IF THE FILLED-OUT QUESTIONNAIRE CAN NOT BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TIME SPAN (NAMELY, 3 MONTHS) OR IF THE USER FAILS TO PRESENT FOR INVESTIGATION CAUSED BY FAILURE OF RECEIVING THE SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE ON BEHALF OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR A LOST MAIL. BASED ON THE ABOVE MENTIONED GROUNDS, WE, CONSTITUTED BY SEVERAL FORMER EXAMINERS IN THE PATENT

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OFFICE, ARE CORDIAL TO BE AT YOUR SERVICE FOR THIS GOAL

UNQUOTE. US FIRM CONTENDS THIS TYPE LETTER CONTAINS POLITE
THREAT AND CONSTITUTES VIRTUAL BLACKMAIL.

2. WE ARE ADVISING US FIRM THAT USG HAS RAISED MATTER
OF TRADEMARK CENSUS WITH GROC AND OF GROC ASSURANCES
CONTAINED PARA 11 REFTEL (A) WHICH REFUTE SAINT ISLAND
ASSERTIONS.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SEEK FROM NBS CORRECTIVE
ACTION TO PREVENT DISSEMINATION OF FALSE INFORMATION RE-
GARDING CENSUS BY SAINT ISLAND AND OTHER LOCAL LAW FIRMS.
EMBASSY SHOULD ASK NBS TO EMPHASIZE TO LOCAL ATTORNEYS
STATEMENTS IN PARA 11 OF REFTEL (A) THAT NO REGISTRATION
WILL BE CANCELLED ARBITRARILY OR CAPRICIOUSLY BECAUSE
A RESPONDENT MAKES AN HONEST MISTAKE IN FILLING OUT THE
QUESTIONNAIRE OR FOR GOOD CAUSE FAILS TO RETURN THE
QUESTIONNAIRE WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TIME, AND THAT
AMERICAN FIRMS MAY BE GRANTED EXTENSIONS FROM JUNE 30
FILING DATE WHEN THIS IS REQUESTED.

4. WE HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED COPIES OF LEE AND LI TRANS-
LATION OF QUESTIONNAIRE AND EXECUTIVE YUAN LETTER NO.
CHUNG-SHO-FIRST 2703 AS PROMISED REFTEL A. PLEASE
SUPPLY ASAP. KISSINGER

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